

REMARKS

The Office Action indicated that claims 7-10 and 12-13 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

In particular, the Office action stated that the prior art does not teach or suggest a transition entry that includes an index to a rule entry as found in claim 7. With the current amendment, this limitation and the limitation of claim 6 have been added to claim 1. As such, claim 1, and claims 2-5 and 8-10, which depend therefrom, are in form for allowance.

With this amendment, new claim 27 has been added which represent claim 12 written in independent form. As such, claim 27 and claim 13, which depend therefrom, are in form for allowance.

The Office action indicated that claims 21-26 were allowed.

With the above amendments, all of the pending claims are in form for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance of claims 1-5, 8-10, 13, and 21-27 is respectfully requested.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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